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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. At 1600 on 26 January 1955, weapons and motor vehicles as specified below were observed on the drill ground south of the Trost Kaserne in Vienna: Two columns each of which included a jeep, 2 trucks towing 57-mm AT guns, 4 trucks mounting AA machine guns, and 8 trucks; a column of a van-like motor vehicle, 4 trucks towing probably 120-mm mortars, and a truck; a column of a van-like motor vehicle, 3 trucks towing four-barreled AA machine guns on two-axle carriages, and a truck; and another column of about six 76-mm field guns and 14 trucks. Van-like motor vehicle with a driver wearing red-bordered black epaulets was observed at the approach to the training ground. All the abovementioned vehicles were modern models equipped with headlight covers, and bore white chalk stripes at the rear or left to the identification letter. 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1 25X1
2. Later, two march columns were formed out of this group; the column points were located at the exit on Rax Strasse and at the emergency exit in the northern corner of the training ground. All enlisted men wore a small silver leaf below the national emblems on their caps. It was believed that the men were going to leave either for a night march or possibly the troop-training grounds. Soldiers wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets loaded uniforms, officers' clothing, and mattresses on 3 trucks, and van-like motor vehicle in front of the former inn at 36 Gussriegel Strasse, which was previously called the building opposite the Trost Kaserne. Due to nightfall no details were secured, but it was believed that, as compared with the observation made on 15 January 1955, more motor vehicles were absent from the garage at 83 Pernerstorfer Gasse.<sup>1</sup> 25X1 25X1 25X1
3. On 26 January, motor vehicles observed under the shedroofs in the southern section of the area of the former Bundeserziehungsanstalt (Federal correctional institute) included 3 armored half-track vehicles and 18 trucks and ambulance Jeep with a driver wearing black-bordered red epaulets entered the installation. The large radio installation in the western section of the installation was still observed, while the number of the antenna masts had decreased by about four.<sup>2</sup> 25X1 25X1

1. **Comments.** The Trost Kaserne quarters the 44th Gds Mech Regt of the 13th Gds Mech Div, whose motor vehicles are presumably housed in the garage at 83 Pernerstorfer Gasse. It cannot be determined whether the columns mentioned in the present report were assembled in connection with a planned night march or represented component units of the regiment which left for the troop-training grounds. The four-barreled AA machine

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guns are possibly 14.5-mm AA guns which, in the form of four-barreled guns, have also been observed at mechanized regiments stationed in East Germany.

Comment. The 45th Gds Mech Regt of the 13th Gds Mech Div is stationed at Traiskirchen.

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